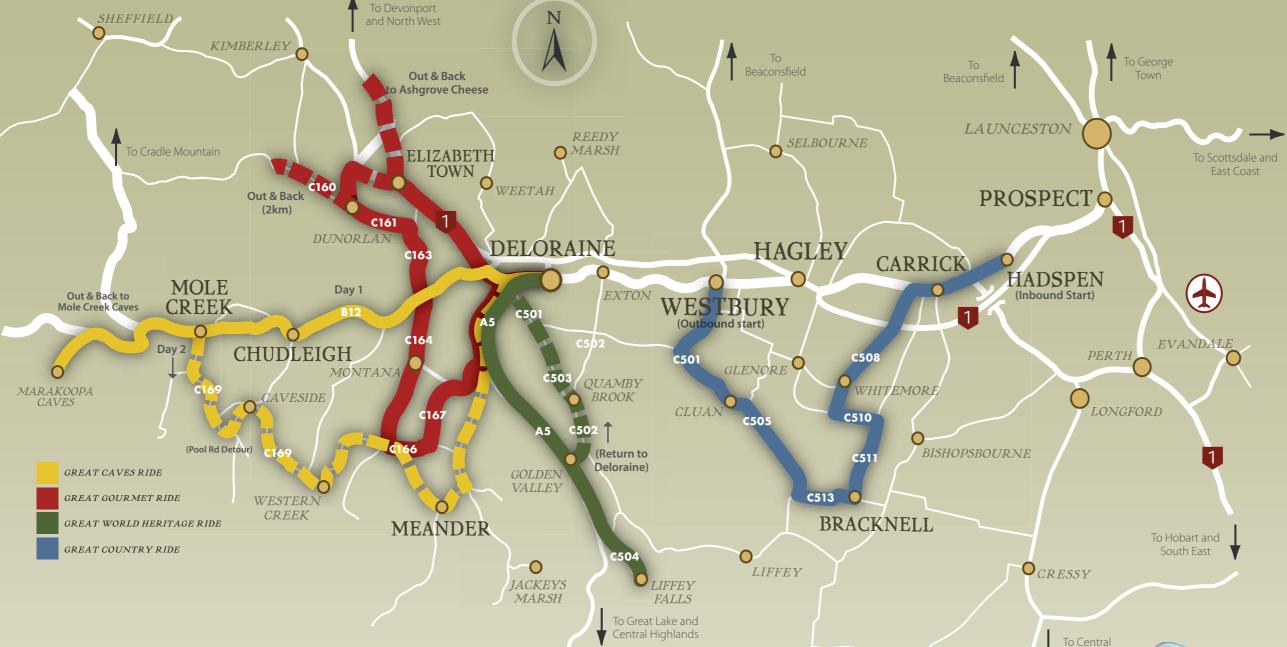
# THE GREAT WESTERN TERS CYCLING TRAILS



### **Great Western Tiers Cycling Trails Important Information**

In the event of an emergency you can contact Ambulance, Police or Fire Services by telephoning 000.

To enhance your cycling experience a series of podcasts have been developed to give you a better appreciation of what the Great Western Tiers has to offer. Your cycling podcasts can be downloaded for free at www.greatwesterntiers.net.au

- A series of colour-coded totems and signposts will help to guide you throughout the 4 themed rides. Look for these signs as you explore the Great Western Tiers.
- Look for this symbol in the shop windows of businesses located throughout the Great Western Tiers. These businesses are recognised as being cycling friendly establishments and can help you to plan your journey and answer any questions you may have.
- 🙂 If you are unsure of your location and need some help, ask a friendly local. Tasmanians are renowned for their friendly and helpful nature and this is very much the case in the "Tiers".
- Whilst it is legal to ride two abreast on Tasmanian roads, it may be safer to ride in single file on some narrow road sections.
- Stay safe by carrying sufficient water and appropriate clothing.

 Check the weather forecast when planning your journey. In spring you can experience four seasons in one day so plan to make your experience the best it can be by visiting www.bom.gov.au/weather/tas/

- 🕐 Whilst each trail is relatively short in distance, take your time to listen to the podcasts and experience the many attractions, short walks, gourmet produce outlets and chat with our friendly residents. Take some time to smell the roses and listen to the silence!
- The Great World Heritage Trail can be quite challenging, climbing to an altitude of approximately 1000 metres with a steep descent to the Liffey Falls. The last 6 kilometres down to the falls are on unsealed road which is relatively narrow. This section is only suitable for hybrid bikes and more experienced riders, however the effort is extremely rewarding.

Highlands

ne Great Western Tiers has always been a popular destination for touring cyclists. The safe and low-traffic country roads that run the length of the region offer a series of trails for touring cyclists to experience the best that Tasmania has to offer.

Four cycling trails have been developed to include a series of engaging and inspiring podcasts, which bring the region to life. These interpretive audio tracks add a layer of depth, helping visitors to understand the essence of our region and to connect with the people and stories which are part of the fabric of the Great Western Tiers.

The Great Country Ride, Great Gourmet Ride, Great World Heritage Ride and Great Caves Ride all have unique stories and natural attributes that will inspire touring cyclists. The free Great Western Tiers Cycle Tour Podcasts and supporting detailed cycling maps can be downloaded from www.greatwesterntiers.net.au. The trails are

> marked by colour-coded cycling trail totems, which help to ensure cyclists stay on track.

Each ride is approximately 70km in length, taking in the majority of the townships and attractions the Great Western Tiers has to offer. Accommodation, cafés, restaurants and camping grounds are available throughout your journey.

Set your own pace and take the time to experience all the sights, tastes, smells and stories of this wonderful region - your memories will be unforgettable.

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The Great Caves Ride can be taken as either a one or two-day ride and will take you through an area that is home to some of the most famous caves in Australia.

If you decide on a one day tour, you will depart from Deloraine and make your way through Mole Creek via Chudleigh to the caves, before returning to Deloraine along the same road. Make time to stop at the many attractions this area has to offer, including Trowunna Wildlife Park, the spectacular Alum Cliffs, and the spellbinding King Solomons and Marakoopa caves.

Day two is a beautiful 35km ride along gently sloping country roads to the south of Mole Creek and offers the chance to explore some of the more out-of-the-way townships as you approach the Great Western Tiers.

If you are taking the two-day option, you could stay overnight at Mole Creek or one of the many B&Bs en route

Distance: Day 1 72Km Day 2 54Km



Out & Back Ashgrove Cheese ELIZABETH TOWN DUNORLAN DELORAINE

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The Great Gourmet Ride offers an easy journey through lush pastures and valleys to the west of Deloraine - an area that is home to some of Australia's leading gourmet producers.

A great contrast to the Great Country Ride, this tour offers a glimpse at some of the region's more innovative farming practices and provides plenty of opportunities to stop and sample some of the delicious gourmet products along the way.

Allow plenty of additional time to stop at places such as Ashgrove Farm Cheese, Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm and the 41 Degrees South Salmon Farm and EcoExperience. Also be sure to leave plenty of room in the pack as most of the stops on this tour offer farm gate sales.

Distance: 62Km

#### DELORAINE



The Great World Heritage Ride extends south from Deloraine, providing some amazing views of the Great Western Tiers as you approach the edge of the famous Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area.

As you journey south towards Liffey Falls and the World Heritage Area, the ride becomes more challenging. Cyclists should take careful note of the safety information contained in the podcasts and be aware that the final stretch on the approach to Liffey Falls is suitable for hybrid and mountain bikes only. (See 🛕 Important Information)

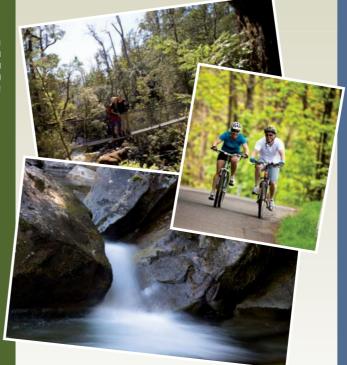
Take some time at the beginning or end of this tour to explore the many cultural attractions the town of Deloraine has to offer.

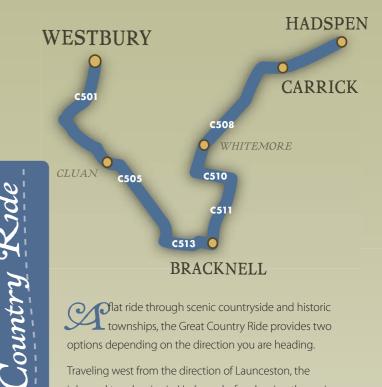
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All tride through scenic countryside and historic townships, the Great Country Ride provides two options depending on the direction you are heading.

Traveling west from the direction of Launceston, the inbound tour begins in Hadspen before leaving the main highway to explore the district's English-style countryside. Along the way you will discover the traditional farming practices that characterise this area and some of the best evidence of our colonial heritage.

The ride rejoins the main highway in the picturesque rural township of Westbury.

The outbound option is simply a reversal of the ride, but may be more convenient for those who wish to end up in Launceston.

Distance: 56Km

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